

FINAL RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the Action Plan Team: CORE Mission

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Summary:

The USFA must aggressively pursue participation in the FEMA response plan to declared disasters and emergencies.

Recommendation:

Adopt/develop USFA Mission Action Roles for field response to major incidents modeled after FEMA's Response and Recovery Directorate for deployment of FEMA assets for support of state and local government during and following disasters in accordance with or an extension of the Federal Response Plan.

Background:

In concert with USFA's specific responsibilities, at no time during USFA's 20-year affiliation with FEMA has there existed an automatic mechanism to allow USFA personnel to be deployed to disasters in furtherance of USFA-mission responsibilities. At Presidential-declared disasters or similar large-scale major emergencies, where substantial involvement by fire, rescue and emergency medical services response organizations is occurring, critically important information needed to improve USFA programs, products, and services may be available but is not captured.

1. Step(s) to Achieve: Coordination with other FEMA directorates will be necessary, in order to adopt and develop a USFA Mission Action Role for field response to major incidents. Mission action role will be modeled after FEMA's Response and Recovery and Mitigation Directorate's for deployment of FEMA assets for support of state and local government during or following disasters. The attached Federal Response Plan can be used as a guide.
2. Estimated Timeframe: Six months
3. Estimated Cost: Not able to determined at this time
4. Outcome: The USFA would establish procedures and partnerships to involve the USFA in response to significant "declared" emergency incidents.

Conclusion:

The Core Mission Team supports this recommendation.

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